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Wood Shakes and Shingles on Exterior Walls

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Wood shakes and shingles may be used for surface covering on exterior walls of buildings of Type V construction provided all of the following conditions are met:

I. Construction

- A. Construction shall be in accordance with Section 2310.4 of the Building Code.
- B. Where one-hour fire-resistive construction is required by other provisions of the code, the necessary fire

protection on the exterior side of the wall shall be maintained under the wood shakes or shingles.

II. Distance to Property Line

The distance from the exterior wall (on which the shakes or shingles are applied) to the adjacent property line (or center line of street or alley) shall not be less than the distance listed in Table 1.

Table 1/Required Distance From Wall to Property Line	
Occupancy	Minimum Distance From Exterior Wall to Property Line or to Center Line of Street or Alley (feet)
A-2 A-2.1	20
A-3 A-4	10
B E F-1 F-2 I-1.1 I-1.2 M	10
R-1	5
R-3	3
S	10
U	3